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25 Years of Service



Honored for 25 years of service to BART recently were (front row, left to right) John B. Love, Larry Dress, Rene Maher, Richard Lee, Edward Lem and James Jackson, along with (back row, left to right) Al Richey, Richard O'Sanna, Ventura Cole, James McDaniel, Victor Rivera, Mike Lighty, Eleno Padillo and Alfonso Collins.

League Up to 7 Teams

OAKLAND SHOP WINS MARCH & APRIL; TIES WITH CONCORD YARD

Te now have two "two-fers" in the 1996 BART Bowling League play. With victories at tournaments held in March and April, the Oakland Shop team is tied at two wins with the Concord Yard. Now, things will get interesting.



"No doubt about it," says Andy Williams of Richmond Yard. "They kicked our butts." And he's just talking about the March 30 tournament held at the Holiday Bowl in Hayward. Heads were shaking following Oakland Shop's victory April 27 at the Manor Bowl in San Leandro. What to do? What to do?

Hayward Yard hosted the March 30 Tournament where Oakland Shop merged victorious with a team score of 2,907. Kudos to Ron Edwards, Larry Cooper, Ed and Chas Musgrave and Dave Alves. Not far behind was Concord Yard with a team score of 2,708. With their own "two-fer" behind them for wins in January and February, team members John O'Leary, Dick Jann, Dennis Wilkerson, Dave Gentry and Elly Divino could only look ahead to April.

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Retiring from BART





Honored for their years of service to BART recently were the following employees who retired between July 1, 1994 and June 1995: (front row, left to right) Clarence Johnson, Donald Swan, Adele "Sug" Springman, Gerald Collins, Donald Reynolds, Lillian C. Young, Constantine "Gus" Sarlas and Raymond Chan, along with (back row, left to right) Roy Mar, Mattie Rousseau, Eugene Crum, Fred Wright, Richard Freitas, Carlos Viglione, Anthony Douglas, William Huber, Ralph Gaines, Earl Nichols, Harold Daly, Robert Varni, Florenzi Grant, Don Miller, Eugene Burkman, Esperanzaa Arias, Hendrikusa Blomert, Arnold Cohen, Jack Yount, Marilyn Murphy, Edward Clare Sr. and Gordon Hayes.

MARIS Software Upgrade to Improve Reliability

Inder a two-year project that began April 22, the MARIS software system will undergo a major upgrade to improve train reliability, incident reports and customer service.

MARIS – the acronym for the Maintenance and Reliability Information System – provides maintenance and reliability information on BART's vehicle fleet, elevators, escalators, tracks and stations. MARIS captures all vehicle and wayside incidents, and is used for management reporting, tracking trains and elevator/escalator availability, and locating graffiti in stations and on cars.

Originally developed in the early 1970s as an incident reporting system, MARIS has been upgraded several times based on user requests. It has evolved into an on-line system now used throughout the district.

In this upgrade project new applications such as inventory control will improve train and equipment reliability, data collection and storage, and incident-reporting procedures. BART maintenance workers will have faster access to information required to repair train and wayside equipment.

Many tasks now done manually will be automated. "User friendly" improvements will help Maintenance and Operations workers to retrieve information and secure trouble-shooting data quicker.

BART customers will also benefit by riding trains that are cleaner, more comfortable and on-time. Riders will also benefit from reliable elevators and escalators. Through better access to on-time information, BART customer service representatives will respond quicker to customer concerns and complaints.

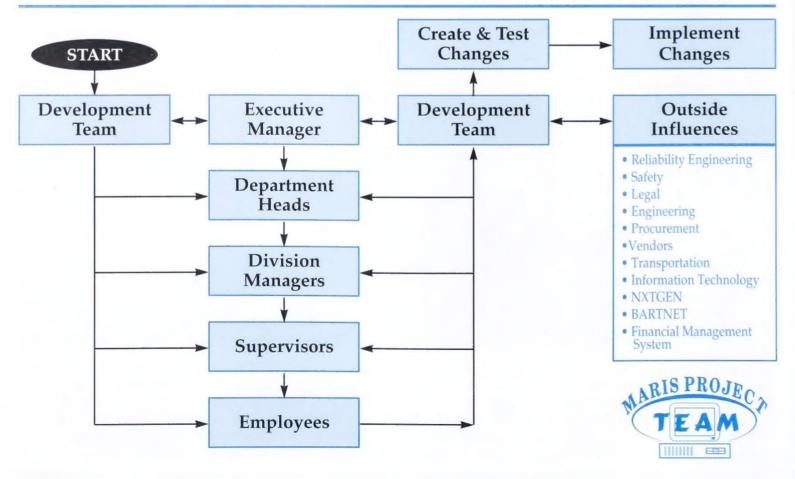
The BART Board of Directors on March 14 approved the current upgrade project. A contractor will upgrade the Power Mechanical group's information data collection and reporting system. BART staff will then finish the project with assistance from IBM consultants.

John L. Thomas leads the MARIS Renewal Project Team, which includes employees from Information Technology and Technical Resources. Other MARIS Team members include Bill Moore, Chuck Church, Cathy Lee, Charlie Joyce, Hallie Gould, Larry Loos, Chuck Vejdovsky, Dick Kerrigan, Elizabeth Brazil and Ray Arcement.



Helping to improve system reliability are members of the MARIS Project Team (left to right) Bill Moore, Chuck Church, John Thomas, Cathy Lee (front), Charlie Joyce (rear), Hallie Gould, Larry Loos, Chuck Vejdovsky and Dick Kerrigan.

MARIS DEVELOPMENT METHODOLOGY



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Second Annual Golf Tourney a 'Hole in One'

But Nobody Wins the Big Prize

The National Hole-in-One Association allows golfers to win up to \$1 million if they get an Ace at designated holes during an invitational golf tournament.

"We had the sponsor, we had the prize and we had Association sponsorship," said tournament chairperson Victoria Palmer. "And a chance for some lucky BART golfer to gain national fame."

But no one got a hole in one at the second annual BART Invitational Golf Tournament held April 27 at Boundary Oak Golf Course and Country Club in Walnut Creek. Saturn of Concord had donated the grand prize, a 1996 Saturn. Contenders could have also won a watch, airline tickets or a resort package as bonus prizes for other targeted holes.

"Maybe next year," said Vicky.

Not to worry. The tournament was a grand success for the 88 golfers who participated, and the crowd of 129 who attended the awards dinner that evening.

The day began with a free golf clinic conducted by golf pros at Boundary Oak, followed by a putting contest. Then it was tee time for 22, four-member teams. Tee prizes at registration included golf hats, t-shirts and balls. As with last year's event, the tourney was a four-player scramble, with all players taking a first drive and play continuing on the best ball.

Vicky, who spearheaded last year's event, was again joined by Rolly Naish (Legal) and Mike Healy (Public Affairs) to recruit sponsors and prizes. "I even asked for a prize donation when I visited the Mirage in Las Vegas," said Vicky. As a result, the evening raffle featured a 3-day/2-night visit to the Mirage Casino and Hotel, including airfare.

The tournament featured several contests, including the popular "Beat the General Manager" at Hole 12 — seven players beat Deputy General Manager Dorothy Dugger, who represented General Manager Dick White at the tournament. Four "Closest to the Hole" competitions for men and women drew 20 winners.



Fore!! Sporting trophies as the First Place Team in the second annual BART Tournament are (l to r) Dean Leonard, Aleta Anders, Ted Christensen and Dave Adam. Dean also won for Longest Drive and Putting, while Aleta brought home prizes for Putting and Shortest Drive. Dave was among the event's valued volunteers.

The Longest Drive went to Dean Leonard and Martha Taylor, while Putting Contest winners were Dean Leonard and Aleta Anders. Dean and Aleta received "third rail" putters, which were made in BART's shops. The Shortest Drive went to Aleta Anders and Iim Matthews.

The top six teams were honored during the awards banquet held at the Savoy Restaurant at Boundary Oak, which included a raffle and Golf Trivia Contest. Besides the Las Vegas trip, raffle prizes included weekend use of a BMW convertible, Bulge drivers and putters, a Brazo driver and putter, dinner certificates, BART windbreakers, bracelets, neckties, suspenders, mouse pads and wrist pads.

Tournament team winners included: First Place: Dean Leonard, Aleta Anders, David Adam and Ted

Christensen (score: 69); Second Place: Robert Ollivier, Colin McDonald, Raymond Gong and Sharon Hoffman (score: 72); Third Place: Harry Holder, Hyo-Soon Kim, John Prowznik and Roger Havena (score: 72); Fourth Place: Steve Chong, Jim Makrakis, Al Scala and Barbara George (score: 73); Fifth Place: Darryl Antilla, Ann Matthews, Steve Arhontes and Bob Nolan (score: 73); and Sixth Place: Rolly Naish, Jim Matthews, Jim Mann and Leon Turner (score: 74). There were eight trivia contest winners who identified past winners of the U.S. Open.

Many thanks to the organizing committee and the volunteers who helped to make BART's Invitational Golf Tournament a resounding success: Dave Adam, Chuck Costa, Bill Dacnay, Bill Farr, Dan Green, Mike Healy, Wilson Johnson, Dean Leonard, Jim McHenry, Rolly Naish, Rob Ollivier, Bob Palmer, Pat Patubo, Eric Thompson, Al Verduzco, Charlie Walker and Chris Young.

The date and place for the 1997 golf tournament remains pending, but the event should be held sometime in April 1997. "We already have 10 sign-ups," says Vicky, "so we know the event will be popular." Plan now to join the fun next year.



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ich Hanson has joined the Human Resources Department as a Senior Personnel Analyst. He is responsible for all disability programs, including workers compensation, short-and long-term disability, temporary modified assignments, and compliance with the Family Medical Leave Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The Training and Development Department is now honoring retroactive requests for Excellent Attendance Awards, according to **Hershell Levi**. Requests and forms must be for-

warded to your designated department coordinators for processing. Employees wishing to request the Excellent Attendance brochure may do so with Form No. 1178-1, which is available through the Records and Forms Department.

ongratulations to Quality Engineer Steve Mahler and his wife, Lori, on the birth of their son, James Thomas Mahler. James was born December 8, 1995, weighing 8 pounds and 11 ounces, measuring 21 inches. The Mahlers are now busy caring for their new bundle of joy!

mployees are reminded that the Transit Information Center is reached at extension 2278. In-house communication between the Phone Center, Station Agents, Central Control and the BART Police is reserved for extension 4282.

Women at BART Inspire Confidence in Girls, Teen Women

Promoting self-esteem and pride in girls and teen women was the focus of BART's "Take Our Daughters to Work Day" events held April 25.

BART programs are modeled after the international education campaign sponsored by the Ms. Foundation for Women, which this year recommended organizing events around the theme, "Vote for Me" to instill confidence and promote leadership in girls and teen women. The theme translates into supporting

Senior Engineer

girls' development in school, at home and on the job.

While various individualized activities occurred systemwide, the Transportation and System Service Department organized a special event for daughters of BART employees.

"We encouraged employees to seek a one-on-one opportunity

with a girl or teen to allow them the chance to gain real hands-on experience and knowledge of the work life at BART," said Paul Oversier, Chief Transportation Officer.

Fannie Mackson coordinated all activities hosted by Transportation and System Service, including a Career Hunt, prize drawing, scholarship sweepstakes through the Ms. Foundation (see sidebar on page 5), and a formal presentation, panel discussion and break-out activities with BART employees. Forty-five girls and teen women participated in the event.

"We designed the program to make sure the girls had specialized attention, so we limited the participation," noted Fannie. The event proved so popular, "we had to turn people away," she said.

The day began in the Metro Auditorium with a welcome from Paul Oversier and Dorothy Dugger, Deputy General Manager. Paul led the group in a warm-up exercise called, "That's Me," while Dorothy talked about self-confidence. "If you ask a girl age 6 what she wants to be, she'll say 'everything,'" Dorothy told



daughters. "Ask again at age 14 and she'll say 'I don't know.' We believe in you," she said. "You've got to believe in yourself and not let your dreams die."

Guests then broke into groups, with girls up to age 11 meeting with a panel of BART women employees to interview them about their careers. The role was then reversed with BART women asking questions of the girls. Each girl received a questionnaire as a guideline, which she took home for future

reference in their souvenir binder.

Teen women met with Chabot College student Larissa Kordell to discuss the importance of education, then broke into groups of five to meet with BART Group Leaders, who conducted self-esteem and writing exercises.

"Our panel was very involved in their conversations with the girls," noted Fannie. "It's obvious from their comments that the girls learned a great deal about careers and opportunities in life."

Taheerah Johnson, 13, said, "There are no limits in life," while Isabelle Dupont, 8, noted the importance to "pay attention in school and believe in yourself." Holly Matthews, 16, came away from the event knowing to "keep your options open and stay on track," while Lauren Kessenger, 9, remarked, "You should do what you enjoy." Elizabeth Guerra, 9, knew to succeed, "You need to have your education." "You have to learn lots of things," said Lauren Salazar, 8, "and work hard."

Several BART employees in Transportation mentored girls, allowing them to "job shadow" and otherwise experience what it's like to work at BART. Martha Taylor mentored 11-year-old





Girls and teen women participating in BART's "Take Our Daughters to Work Day" event had a chance to enter the national Ms. Foundation scholarship sweepstakes, where three winners will be randomly selected to each receive \$20,000 in Series EE Savings Bonds. The sweepstakes is open to female U.S. residents age 9 through 17 and entries are being accepted through May 31, 1996. Those interested in entering may call Fannie Mackson at 464-6732 to receive an entry form. Winners will be selected on or about June 30, 1996.

Elizabeth Guerra, daughter of Helen Guerra of Legal. "Elizabeth sat at my desk, answered the phone and asked a lot of questions about how it feels to be a 'woman' manager," said Martha. "She interviewed me for a school assignment, and I gave her a gold sealed certificate to take back to class.

"I had an opportunity to help make a positive difference," said Martha, "and to show girls that their future can be bright if they take school seriously and have a good attitude in life."

Thanks to the many BART employees who helped make "Take Our Daughters to Work Day" special for daughters and BART employees alike. Group leaders included Asia Johnson and Jo Olmes of Human Resources; Corina Ninayahuar of Operations; Anita Sanchez of Transportation and System Service, and Jolie Vega of Training and Development Administration. Helping Fannie Mackson to organize the program were Anita Sanchez, Maria Estevez and Jerry Robinson.

Thanks to panel members Martha Taylor, Assistant

Chief Transportation Officer; Crystal Odum, Extensions Liaison Manager; Cilene Peterson, Software Engineer; Train Controllers Pamela Kessinger and Bridgette Brown; Program Administrator Vivian Faye; Train Operators Judy Anguella and Dolores Loera; Station Agents Mary Engler-Contreras and Diane Forbes; Police Officer Kim Garner; Special Assistant to the Chief Engineer Mae Meidav; Computer Support Coordinators Bridget Schafer and Radha Parameswaran; Staff Assistant to the General Manager Shirley McNeal; CAD Draft Sharon Umene and Parts Expeditor Nancy Thinnes.



Other Transportation and System Service helpers included Pat Patubo, Donny Woo, Allen Emerick, Paul Gravelle, Ed Neves, Linda Vasques, Marlene R. Jones and Lynn Ragghianti. Thanks also to Kirk Marshall, Dan Green, Eric Thompson and Mark Deloso of Operations Technical Services for providing signs and graphics support.

Mentors included Martha Taylor; Pam Kessinger; Bridgette Brown and Station Agents Shirley Melton, Stephanie Cole, Terri Chiu, Shadra Hawkins, Linda Sweet, Pam Weinberg, Madeline Thomas and Stacey Owens.

"I liked the fact that our activities focused on the girls, their likes and their career dreams," said Anita Sanchez. "The personal, one-on-one opportunity also gave them a chance to speak to women in a variety of BART occupations."

Participating in the girls' event motivated Jolie Vega to plan for her sons to participate in BART's "Take Our Sons to Work"

event on May 9. "I was revitalized by the girls," she said.

Jose Ramiro Salazar of the General Counsel office included his daughter, Lauren Aida Salazar, 8, in the April 25 program and looked forward to his son Stephen, 6, participating on May 9. "My daughter had a memorable time. I'm sure the Sons event will be just as rewarding."



New Hire Orientation Scheduled June 3, 4

ewly hired employees may attend an Orientation session scheduled for June 3 and 4. The session will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Oakland Training Center, 25 Fourth Street, Oakland.

Topics covered during the two-day orientation include BART history and values; general rules; discrimination policy; system safety, including emergency and earthquake preparedness, back safety, working with computers, workplace violence and BART's needlestick program; substance abuse and employee counseling; worker's compensation; benefits and

incentive awards; customer service; the Extensions Program; a tour of Central Operations and the Lake Merritt Station, and a Union presentation.

Supervisors may register employees by E-Mail or by contacting Jolie Vega, Training and Development via fax (464-6386) with the following information: employee name, department and cost center, job classification or title; supervisor's name, location and telephone number. All employees should bring their OR&P manual on the first day of class.

For more information, please call 464-6293.

Rehab Project Bestows Another 20 Years on the Rail for BART's A & B Car Fleet

t age 25, most of us are just getting used to the world. Adolescence is a memory, we're in great shape and our silver years are in the planning stages.

But for BART's fleet of 439 A&B cars, age 25 is showing some pretty serious wear and tear. From obsolete electronic equipment to frayed ends and jumper wiring, time has caught up. It's time for a major facelift.

That nip-and-tuck is coming in the form of a complete renovation under Phase II of the A&B Car Rehabilitation Project, which is now underway. When completed in five years, the rehab will give the fleet 20 more years of working life.

A contract to complete the rehabilitation was awarded to AEG Transportation Systems, following negotiations that resulted in saving \$150 million for the entire project.

Several things will change. AC Propulsion will replace the current DC system to save energy and parts. The air conditioning compressor will be replaced with four unitized systems. The motor alternator will be replaced with an Auxiliary Power System that is similar to the C-Car equipment.

Trucks, wheels and suspension parts will be rebuilt, along with couplers and draft gears. A simplified modular hydraulic brake control will be installed and lighting will be replaced with fixtures similar to those on the C Car. Each car will also feature new seats and interiors.

"From the standpoint of maintenance, one of the more important improvements will be microprocessor controls and diagnostics," said Project Director Al Scala. "Every major subsystem will be connected to this new software, which reads failure condi-

tions. Maintenance workers will use laptop computers to access the information, perform diagnostics and test the electronics."

Finally, a number of A Cars will be converted to B Cars. "This conversion is driven by our need to use the ATO equipment mounted on the A Cars in the new C2 Cars," noted Al. Rehabilitated cars will be called A2 and B2 to differentiate them from the original fleet.

The A&B Car Rehab Team includes employees from throughout BART, although most come from the Rail Vehicles
Department. Project Director Al Scala is joined by Project
Manager Steve Procter, Project Engineer Chuck Jenkins, Kris
Hari, Maury Clapp, Susan Presley, Lead Electrical Engineer Jim
LaGuardia, Engineer Dave Strohl, Lead Mechanical Engineer
Dave Johnston, Engineer Jorge Madrigal. Clerical support comes
from Eve Meadows and Marcia McBrayer. Steve Peery provides
Reliability, Maintain Ability, Safety and Human Factors (RMSH)
support.

Team members from Vehicle Maintenance Engineering include Ray Crist (specifications, testing), R.J. Grimes (electrical issues), Joe Grosser, Rick Mikla, Rodney Lim, Ray Kawamoto and Shop Engineers Dick Hacker, Howard Blake and Kevin Reilly. The team also includes Rudy Crespo of Transportation; John Weber and Jim McDaniel from Operations Liaison; Esther Low of Legal; Eldridge Johns and Oji Kanu of Contracts Management, and Richard Partee, Wayne Wong and Roland Hom of Civil Rights.

Employees who have helped install test equipment and prepare cars for shipment to AEG include Rick Gillis, Roy Dietrich and Barry Love, Leonard White, Donald Young, Art Milnese, Tony Roten, Jack Hancock, Tony Santos, Bill Parajon, Steve Nicosia and Austin Thomas. In the project's earlier stages, four train operators worked several nights to complete noise testing and an AC Drive demonstration. Thanks to Greg Gomes, Delores Loera, Phil Lum and B.J. Vining.

20 Years of Service



Congratulations were extended recently for 20 years of service to BART to: (front row, left to right) Ray Cannata, Mark Montalvo and Jim King, along with (back row, left to right) Miguel Librero, Fred Mitchell, Luisa Barnardino, Deborah Frankel, Catherine Natera, Diane Johnson, Harvey Moore, Oirolf Florio and Lee Cohen.

15 Years of Service



Recognized for 15 years of service to BART recently were (front row, left to right) Fred Butler, Kenneth Choy, Frank Lau and Herbert Lim, along with (back row, left to right) James Renzendes, Ronald Edmondson, Richard Bently, Bertha Howard, John Pritcher, Brendan MacIntyre, Ernesto Dandan and Chris Koukis.

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New Police Station Opens in Walnut Creek

In the tradition of community policing, BART Police opened the second of four planned stations on April 27 at the Walnut Creek BART Station.

In a Grand Opening Celebration, officers conducted a police dog demonstration; gave out police whistles and mini police badges, and operated "Ident-a-Kid" to provide photo and fingerprint identification for children. The festivities also featured a coloring contest sponsored by the San Francisco Cartoon Art Museum.

The new station is part of an enhanced security program designed to decentralize BART Police operations, increase police visibility and improve safety for BART customers. The Walnut Creek BART Police Station joins the station at Powell Street, which opened in

April 1995. Additional facilities are planned for the El Cerrito Del Norte and Bayfair Stations.

As a zone facility, the Walnut Creek BART Police Station gives officers a place to complete police business without having



The second of four BART police substations opened April 27 at the Walnut Creek BART Station. Designed to serve BART patrons at the community level, the Walnut Creek police station joins the Powell Street station, which opened in April 1995. BART police stations are planned for the El Cerrito Del Norte and Bayfair BART Stations.

to return to the main facility in Oakland, thereby making them more available to the riding public.

The Walnut Creek BART Police Station is staffed with six officers. two sergeants, one lieutenant and six Community Service Assistants. Under the new Security Improvement Program, officers are deployed into the local community and have additional vehicles and radio equipment. The program also includes improved lighting and emergency calls boxes in parking lots; improvements to the radio communications system in parking garages; and a community grant program to improve safety in the vicinity of BART stations.

The enhanced security program follows a tradition of proactive crime prevention by the BART Police, which has sponsored BART

Against Auto Theft (BAAT); the Truancy Reduction Intervention Program (TRIP) and Ride With Pride, a safety awareness program presented at elementary schools.

Bowling continued from front page

Hayward Yard came in at 2,477 with Walt Jusino, David Adams, David Freeman and Ken Gonzales, while Richmond Yard racked up 2,359 with Don Wells, William Person, James Bonds, Beverly Carson and Andy Williams. BART Police and

Treasury joined forces to tally a team score of 2,139 with Millie Sowell, Glenn Huff, Chuck Baca, Johnnie Hicks and George Ross. The Lake Merritt team finished with 2,036 with Lisa Isler, Beth Coleto, Pat Patubo, Bruce Webig and Harry Straub. High game went to Ron Edwards (266), while the high series went to Dennis Wilkerson (660).

The Treasury Crew agreed to host the April tourney, only to be swept over by the likes of Oakland Shop bowlers, who were back for more and taking no prisoners! With a team score of 2,839 the "fearless foursome" of Ed, Chas, Larry and Ron were rumored heading for Vegas after the win. No reports of any further luck in the Desert Land Delight, however.

"Ron pulled it out in the end with the winning strike to help Oakland nudge out Concord by two points," said Andy. "He had a strike in the 9th frame, and needed two more in the 10th and an eight-count to win by one point. He did a nine-count and won by two. Unbelievable."

Concord Shop came in No. 2 with 2,837 (oohh, so close) with Elly Divino, Dwayne Le'Barre and Rodney Smith. Hey! That's only three players against four! With a full squad, could Concord conquer the OakTown Team?

BART Bowling League.

While each tournament presents prizes to the winning team, and high game and high series bowlers, camaraderie is what draws players back to each event. Since first organizing last summer with teams at the Richmond and Hayward Yards, the BART Bowling League is now up to seven teams, including Concord Yard, Oakland Shop,

what many BART owling for fun! That's what many BART

employees are doing as members of the

will you organize your team and join the league? To join a team or form a new one, call Walt Jusino, ext. 2345; Beverly Carson, ext. 4137; Andy Williams, ext. 5153; Elly Divino, ext. 2639; Johnnie Hicks, ext. 5453, or Sunn Marks, ext. 7000.

BART Police, Lake Merritt and Treasury. When

OK, Richmond. Third Place at 2,327? With a seasoned team of William Person, James Bonds, David Hood and Andy Williams we only have one question. Where was Beverly? (Get well wishes go to Don Wells, whose knee injury has recently kept him away from the bowling lanes.)

Hats off to BART Police bowlers, reaching 2,170 with Glenn Huff, Ken Tiger and Sunny Marks; to Treasury at 2,168 with Millie Sowell, Franco DeGuzman and Terry Carney; and to Lake Merritt at 1,981 with Bruce Wobig, Lisa Isler, Beth Velasco and Harry Straub. High game went to Elly Divino with 245, while Dick Jann took High Series with 633.

Well, players. Shall we leave the trophy at Oakland Shop? Join the jury at the next tournament. The League will take a "bye" in May, but watch for fliers announcing the next tourney in June. Polish up that bowling ball. It's time to rumble.

In Memory

heartfelt thank you to all BART employees who recently contributed to the American Cancer Society in the name of **Lourdes "LuLu" Watts.** She passed away March 3, and was posthumously honored by BART General Manager Dick White with a commendation for her 15 years and 8 months of loyal and dedicated service to BART.

A total contribution of \$1,158 was made to the American Cancer Society in her name, and an acknowledgement card was sent to her daughters, Michelle and Erica, according to Barbara Oden. "I am overwhelmed by the generosity and kindness of the 'BART Family,'" said Barbara. A card was also sent to Lulu's family in Mexico with the help of Arcelia Damen, who provided an appropriate message in Spanish. Lulu was a Senior Financial Analyst in the Operating Budgets Division.

Bob Hoffman, former Manager of Budget and Administration in the Transportation and System Service Department, passed away on March 31, 1996. Funeral services were held on the East Coast on April 7. Local memorial services were held April 19 at the Temple Sinai in Oakland. Donations may be sent to Temple Sinai or to AmFAR, 733 third Avenue, 12th Floor, New York, New York 10017



Packard Bell 486SX dual disc drive, newly installed 28.8 fx/mdm, Win. 3.1, Wordperfect 5.1, MSMoney, MSWorks, monitor, mouse, Epson Actn Prntr 3250 (plain ppr). Great Buy! Like New! \$800. Call Vicki at ext. 7115.

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He will take you there and supply all equipment and a place to stay in his camp.

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For Sale! New 14.4 Baud US Robotics Sportster internal modem and Quickline II software. \$60. Call Dick Kalman at ext. 6768.

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AFRO-CENTRIC FAIRE

Several BART employees hosted food and craft tables at BART's first Afro-Centric Faire on February 29. The event was hosted by the "Nubian Queens," a group of BART female employees including Senior Computer Operator Sylvia Dokes, Budget Analyst Fannie Mackson, Clerk Annie Hamp, and Administrative Analyst Hershell Levi.







Pictured from top to bottom are Computer Operator Sylvia Dokes and Administrative Assistant Shirley McNeal. Showing off African outfits are (middle photo) Administrative Analyst Hershell Levi, Sylvia Dokes, Peggy Watts and (bottom) Senior Secretary Marlene Jones.

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